a revised package for the revival of the company recently. No final decision has been taken on the package. The company has also made a reference to the Board of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction under the provisions of Section 15 (1) of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provision) Act, 1985.

Setting up of rubber based factories

545. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up rubber based industries to fulfil the requirements of the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to set up such industries in Tripura where there is plenty of raw materials;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if the answer to (c) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (e) Proposals for the setting up of rubber based industries are considered on merits as per the guidelines. No proposal for the setting up of such industries in Tripura is pending with the Government.

Proposals for setting up of new industrial units in States

546. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of the proposals submitted by the State Governments which are pending with the Central Government for setting up of new industrial units in their respective State;

(b) if so, when those proposals were received;

(c) by when those proposals are likely to be cleared by the Central Government; and

(d) what are the details of the action taken by the Central Government to clear those cases and the reasons for the delay to clear those proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) A statement is enclosed (*See* below).

(b) to (d) Out of the 63 Industrial Licence applications indicated in the statement attached, 37 have been received only during January and February, 1988. 21 applications were received during 1987 and the remaining 5 during the years 1985 and 1986. Applications which are not disposed of within the prescribed time limit are reviewed and placed before the approval committees for taking appropriate decisions.

Statement

State-wise Number of Industrial Licence, Applications received from State Government Undertakings (including SIDCs) which are at various stages of Processing as on 23-2-88.

S. No.	Name of the State/Union Territory	Number of Applications
1.	Andhra Pradesh	2
2	Assam	2
3.	Bihar	9

S.No.	Name of the State/Union Territory	Number of Applications
4.	Goa	1
5.	Gujarat	4
6.	Haryana	2
7.	Himachal Pradesh	6
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	2
9.	Karnataka	2
10.	Kerala	1
11.	Maharashtra	1
12.	Manipur	1
13.	Orissa	4
14.	Punjab	9
15.	Rajasthan	4
16.	Tamil Nadu	4
17.	Uttar Pradesh	6
18.	West Bengal	3
	TOTAL:	63

*SIDC—State Industrial Development Corporations.

Classification of industrially backward areas in West Bengal

547. SHRI NEPALDEV BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have classified the industrially backward areas in West Bangal;

(b) if so, what are tht details thereof;

(c) the follow up action taken by the Central Government in those areas; and

(d) how far their classification as backward areas have helped in industrial development of those areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM):(a) to (d) The following districts of West Bengal have been identified by the Central Government as industrially backward districts and are eligible for graded rates of central subsidy:—

Name of District	Rate of subsidy
Category 'A'	
1. Bankura 2. Cooch Behar 3. Jalpaiguri 4. Malda 5. Darjeeling	25% (Subject to a ceiling of Rs. 25 lakhs and Rs. 50 lakhs for setting up electronic industry in hill districts).